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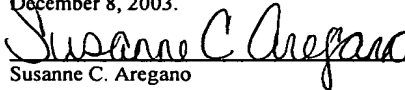
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LOAD SUPPORT MEANS OF A HYDRAULIC LIFTING DEVICE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, Applicants' wish to amend the above-captioned patent application, without prejudice, as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 6 of this paper and includes a red-lined proposed annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.